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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE		1,300	2453		Petition to revive - unintentional	
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## REQUEST FOR NONPUBLICATION OF APPLICATION (37 CFR § 1.213)

Applicant(s) hereby requests that the application for the above-titled invention not be published under 35 USC § 122(b).

The application will therefore <u>not</u> be subject to the U.S.P.T.O. publication fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.18(d)--c urrently \$300.00.

Applicant(s) hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in the application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

Applicant(s) reserves the right to rescind the above request for nonpublication according to the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.213(b).

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